



Delaware Emergency Management Agency

Course Description

COURSE CODE/TITLE	Damage Assessments General Course		
COURSE LOCATION	Delaware Emergency Management Agency 165 Brick Store Landing Road Smyrna, DE 19977		
COURSE DATES	16 February, 2022	COURSE TIME	0830-1630
COURSE DESCRIPTION	The Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) is the primary tool used by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to document the magnitude and impact of a disaster. PDA's are designed to ensure disaster recovery assistance is delivered expeditiously to individual survivors and communities affected by the event. Since the PDA is used to determine whether Federal assistance will be available, the accuracy, consistency and completeness of the PDA program is critical. To improve the quality and consistency of the PDA effort, this one-day class provides instruction on working with the State and local governments to perform damage assessments, accurately document damages and formulate cost estimates, and ensure that appropriate eligibility issues are considered for the assessment of the work scopes and project costs.		
COURSE OBJECTIVES	This course will prepare participants to successfully: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define the requirements for assembling PDA Teams • Accurately identify, assess, and document damages • Support the assessment for the declaration recommendation • IA and PA necessary information • Incorporation and recognition of potential mitigation activities 		
PREREQUISITES	IS-100 – Introduction to the Incident Command System IS-200 – Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response IS-700 – An Introduction to the National Incident Management System IS-800 – An Introduction to the National Response Framework		
RECOMMENDED & OPTIONAL	IS-402 – Introduction to Individual Assistance IS-559 – Local Damage Assessment IS-632 – Introduction to Debris Operations IS-772 – Individual Assistance Preliminary Damage Assessment IS-1000 – Public Assistance Program and Eligibility IS-1006 – Documenting Disaster Damage and Developing Project Files IS-1007 – Detailed Damage Descriptions and Dimensions IS-1008 – Scope of Work Development (Scoping and Costing).		
TARGET AUDIENCE	This course is open to all FEMA Individual and Public Assistance Program staff, other Federal agency, and State and County agency staff that may be expected to participate in PDAs should complete this course. Applicants may also benefit from course attendance.		
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC	No		
COST/MEALS	The training and course materials are provided at no cost to the state, local organization, or responder. Funding for travel, accommodations, and meals are not provided for this training opportunity.		

All classes have limited seats. Registrations will be processed on a first come/first served basis. If you have any questions please e-mail training.dema@delaware.gov

Note: DEMA address: 165 Brick Store Landing Road, Smyrna, DE. When reporting to DEMA for training please park on the lower level (back) parking lot and enter the training door to the facility.